Dedham July 11. 1846.

Dear Mr Chadwick:

I journeyed over with Mr I. & Bob. yesterday, & visit the Hermit of Natick. When I arrived he was employed in plucking a few berries from the wood, for his mid-day meal. The blessed Sun in heaven had kissed neither pear stealing blackberries. The result however was very satisfactory when "smothered in cream". I am in great fear lest he might not return from his woodland occupation in time for me, but not relieved by seeing the dinner-table set & hearing that

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he had not yet performed the mountain
service. He accordingly soon came in,
& conducted a part of finding but he was
not taken from the Dictator of Dedham,
even in the wilds of Rutich; but he behaved
with great civility, considering the savage
life he leads. This Mountain is in a
very pretty situation & he seems to have
an abundance of those earthly blessings
in which he took very much delight & found them
reward. After dinner, they sang some &
played W.ⁿ P. down & then the
Lecture; & Mr Meadell also brought Mrs
Deering, when they descended But she was
at the theatre. Their emotions at hearing
the letters & documents may be more easily
imagined than described. They were disposed

friend & deserted as we were.

Mr Mendell will be in town on Monday, when the B.d meeting will be held, at which time, as he must leave town at ¼ before 5. This had better be mentioned to the friends, to ensure punctuality. Mendell's first idea is to send for Sydney to come on at the expense of the Soc., at once, as he is afraid we can't get out this week again. And his second, is, to let him have his own way for the present, & see how it will work. Mr Ely Thinks that the unsuccessful of an explosion, or of a disappointed State of mind in St. Paul, would be worse than that of the discontent of the readers at not receiving the writers. In this point he & Spencer will, of course, differ. I don't care much how it goes, so I can be content to go on as yet. But I am afraid he is in the condition

of those "amphibious animals that die
on land & can't live in the water." I am
afraid he can't be placed now. Let us
declare him legs a Cow, a Cause of Striking
altogether. Had I, or not, better write a
"private & confidential" letter to Johnson, Secretary
in case Sidney Sh? Stewart, or Lehman or those
we should have to throw him at, he could take
hold of the Case?

I have written to Lowell by this morning's mail
to see Wm Fuller, about the time of meeting.

Has anything been done about Lewis Hayden
credentials as Agent. I told him it sh? be done
yesterday; but, I am, could not attend to it.
Let you see whether it has been done?

I am afraid Smith is an incorrigible
blunder-head. There were no less than 4 or 5
blunders in my Report of Standards this week,
with two Chinese, I can count

Yours
Edmund Quincy.

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